in advance by promulgating prohibitory orders under section 144 Cr. PC in Imphal West on 13.6.2001 and in Imphal east on 14.6.2001, prohibiting assembly of more than five persons. On the day of incident curfew was imposed in Imphal in both the Districts after violent incidents.

(c) The Governor, Manipur announced an Ex-gratia payment of Rs. 1 lakh to the next of kin in case of death and Rs. 5000 to the injured. However, the State Government has informed that the affected persons have refused to accept the Ex-gratia. Regarding the losses suffered in this incident, PWD, Manipur is making assessment the damage.

Border fencing

358. SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total length of border which India shares with Pakistan, Bangladesh and China;

(b) the area of border with Pakistan which is fenced, so far, State-wise;

(c) the borders remained unfenced, State-wise and reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to fence the remaining border?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) India shares 3343 Kms. 4095.7 Kms. and 3488 Kms. of its border with Pakistan (including LoC) Bangladesh and China respectively;

(b) to (d) the area of border which is fenced in Punjab is 452 Km. in Rajasthan 1048 Km. in Gujarat 10 Km. and in Jammu region 15 Km. The unfeced border in Punjab is 101 Km. in Rajasthan 9 Km. in Gujarat 300 Km. and in Jammu 165 Km.

Certain areas, where fencing was not feasible due to terrain condition i.e. reverine areas, permanently water logged areas, shifting sand dunes etc. have been left or proposed to be left unfenced.

Work of construction of fencing on the remaining portion of the Gujarat and Jammu sectors of the Indo-Pak border is in progress.

Apex body to monitor intelligence agencies

359. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal before the Ministry to set up an apex body to monitor IB, RAW and other agencies; and

(b) if so, the details and reasons for setting up of such body?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO) (a) and (b) A Group of Ministers set up in April, 2000 to review the national security system in its entirety, has recommended, *inter-alia,* the establishment of an Intelligence Coordination Group to provide for systematic Intellegence over sight at the Apex level. The recommendations of the Group of Ministers have been accepted.

Request of West Bengal for additional battalions of BSF

360. SHRI JIBON ROY:
SHRI A. VIJAYA RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whethger the Chief Minister of West Bengal, in recent meeting with him has asked for twelve additional battalions of Border Security Force to launch joint operation with Central agencies to combat growing ISI activities in the State and to step up vigil along the Indo-Bangla Border;

(b) if so, what is the Central Government's reaction; and

(c) how many additional battalions have since been dispatched to the State in order to ease their difficulties?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) The Chief Minister of West Bengal had, *inter-alia,* mentioned